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In re the Application of: TANIGUCHI, Osamu et al.

Group Art Unit: 2823

Serial No.: 10/084,923

Examiner: William M. BREWSTER

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FOR: THIN-FILM CIRCUIT SUBSTRATE AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF, AND A VIA FORMED SUBSTRATE AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

RESPONSE TO SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: May 14, 2003

TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800

Sir:

In response to the Species Requirement dated **April 16, 2003**, applicants provisionally elect to prosecute the species embodying Fig. 4. Claims 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6 read on this species.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time.

The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

In the event any additional fees are required in connection with this response, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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